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Concerning the proper treatment of laboratory animals.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 21, 1983

Mr. LANTOS (for himself, Mr. Walgren, Mr. Bonker, Mrs. Schroeder, Mr. Whitehurst, Ms. Mikulski, and Mr. Pepper) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service

RESOLUTION

Concerning the proper treatment of laboratory animals.

- Whereas the issue of animal experimentation has a profound ethical dimension;
- Whereas in the United States we pride ourselves on the civilized treatment of all living creatures;
- Whereas Americans have a deep and sincere concern for the welfare and humane treatment of animals:
- Whereas animal experimentation involves the use of over sixty million animals each year, and the treatment of these animals is an issue we must take seriously;
- Whereas we recognize the ground swell of public concern that all animals be treated with the utmost compassion and be spared all unnecessary suffering and trauma; and

Whereas the advancement of medical science is dependent on a caring attitude of all involved in its progress and in the development of sophisticated means of gathering information that may impact on us all: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

- (1) recognizes that Mobilization for Animals represents the first major international coalition of individuals and animal protection organizations in history working toward increasing our awareness of the important issue of the treatment of animals used in laboratory experimentation; and
- (2) applauds the work of those taking the lead in this area of deep concern.

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